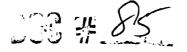
# EXHIBIT A





UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER DISASTER SITE LITIGATION

Master Docket No.: 21 MC 100 (AKH)

### CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER No. 3

This Order outlines the timing of and manner in which discovery limited to the subject matters of certain potentially dispositive motions, identified herein, that it is anticipated will be made by one or more Defendants in these actions is to be conducted in the above-captioned World Trade Center Disaster Site Litigation (the "Litigation"). This case management order ("CMO No. 3") is the product of recommendations by Plaintiffs' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel, Defendants' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel, and counsel for other parties, but departs from those recommendations and reflects my own requirements in certain requests.

#### I. Definitions

As used herein, the World Trade Center Site shall be defined as the 16-acre site including the sites of the buildings known as 1 World Trade Center, 2 World Trade Center, 3 World Trade Center (a/k/a the Marriot World Trade Center Hotel), 4 World Trade Center, 5 World Trade Center and 7 World Trade Center, as well as the surrounding plaza and underground shopping, parking and public transit facilities. The World Trade Center Site shall also be defined to include the World Financial Center and Winter Garden, the Verizon Building at West and Vesey Streets, the Deutsche Bank Building at Liberty and Greenwich Streets, 90 West Street, St Nicholas Church, and 125 Cedar Street, as well as the Fresh Kills Landfill site, the debris-removal barges, piers and transfer stations. This definition is provided for the sole purpose of

construing the provisions of CMO No. 3 and may not be utilized or cited by the parties for any other purpose.

### II. Defendants' Motions

Defendants' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel previously have identified for the Court and for Plaintiffs' counsel certain motions that they anticipate will be made by one or more Defendants and which may be dispositive of some or all of the individual actions in the Litigation. The Court has expressed an interest in having focused and specific discovery ("limited" discovery) undertaken regarding the subject matters of these motions in order to develop an appropriate record for these motions. This CMO No. 3 sets forth the plan for this limited discovery and the Defendants' dispositive motions to follow.

Defendants contemplate the following motions for summary judgment or judgment on the pleadings dismissing some or all of Plaintiffs' claims with prejudice based on various provisions of statute or common law proving immunity to defendants against plaintiffs' claims.

Among such provisions are:

- A. The New York State Defense Emergency Act, N.Y. Unconsol. Law §§ 9101-9200;
- B. The New York State and Local Natural and Man-Made Disaster Preparedness Law, N.Y. Exec. Law §§ 20-29-g;
- C. Principles of common law immunity, to be identified, in reasonable detail within ten (10) days of the entry of this Case Management Order;
- D. Principles of federal immunity to be identified in reasonable detail within ten (10) days of the entry of this Case Management Order; and

- E. Those Defendants whose alleged liability would derive from their status as owner or lessee of the property at issue (or some part thereof), but who were not in control or possession of the relevant property at the time of Plaintiffs' claimed injuries may also file motions for summary judgment or for judgment on the pleadings, dismissing all or part of the claims against them. Such defendants, within ten (10) days of the entry of this Case Management Order shall identify with specificity:
  - 1) The property involved; and
  - 2) The status of defendants with regard to such property; and
- F. Those Defendants whose alleged liability would derive from their status as owner or lessee of the property at issue (or some part thereof), but who were not in control or possession of the relevant property at the time of Plaintiffs' claimed injuries shall produce the specific documents reflecting the defendant's status and that of all others relating to the property.

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#### Order of Discovery Ш.

- Defendants' Preliminary Disclosure of Reasonably Ascertainable Information A. Relevant To Their Motions And Detailed Chronological Declarations
  - Briefs And Opinions Relating To Previously Filed Dispositive Motions In 1. Other World Trade Center Litigations

Within five (5) days of the entry of this CMO No. 3, Defendants' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel shall provide Plaintiffs' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel and the Court with all judicial opinions, previously filed briefs and supporting documentation in other World Trade Center Litigations not pending before this Court that are in Defendants' possession and relate to the subject matters of the motions identified herein.

Preliminary Disclosure Of Organizations Involved In Rescue, Recovery, 2. Debris Removal And/Or Construction At The World Trade Center Site And Documents Of Which Defendants Are Currently Aware And Intend To Rely Upon In Support Of The Motions Described Herein

Within ten (10) days of the entry of this CMO No. 3, Defendants' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel shall provide to Plaintiffs' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel, a list identifying all city agencies and non-city entities that worked at or were in any way involved in the rescue, recovery, cleanup, debris removal and/or construction at the World Trade Center Site. Within thirty (30) days of the entry of this CMO No. 3, Defendants' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel shall also provide to Plaintiffs' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel copies of documents, if any, of which Defendants are then aware, of which Defendants intend to rely in support of their motions.

### 3. Defendants' Detailed Chronological Declarations

Within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Case Management Order, each Defendant (except, as to the Contractor Defendants, only the four prime Contractors—Bovis, Turner, Tully, and Amec) shall provide to Plaintiffs' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel a detailed chronological declaration that shall set forth the key arguments that the Defendant anticipates may be made to support the anticipated motions identified herein. In addition to key arguments then anticipated, each Defendant's detailed chronological declaration shall also set forth the following information.

- (a) The scope of work that the Defendant performed at the World Trade

  Center Site;
- (b) Where the Defendant performed work at the World Trade Center Site;
- (c) The dates when the Defendant began work, performed work, and concluded work at the World Trade Center Site;
- (d) Whether the Defendant entered into any contract for the work done at the World Trade Center Site, as well as copies of such contracts, if any exist;
- (e) The Defendants shall also disclose the internal "chain of command" structure for each entity during the relevant time period;
- (f) Defendants' declarations shall include: all declarations and orders issued by City, State and Federal agencies and departments governing: A) Occupational safety and health of workers at the site; and B) the provision of respiratory equipment to workers at the site and C) the access of workers, including firefighters, to the site;

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- (g) The area of the World Trade Center Site the Defendant was assigned to, if applicable; and maps of the World Trade Center Site depicting its division into quadrants, to the extent the Defendant possesses such maps and if any such maps in fact exist.
- (h) Information concerning Defendants and/or subcontractors involved in producing or providing respirators, air quality, or safety at the World Trade Center site.

Defendants shall have the duty to supplement all discovery obligations within five days after learning of information which, had it been known, should have been disclosed pursuant to this CMO.

#### B. Identification of and Discovery Requests to City Agencies and/or Departments

Plaintiffs' Identification of City Agencies and/or Departments From Which They Intend to Seek Discovery and Related Discovery Requests

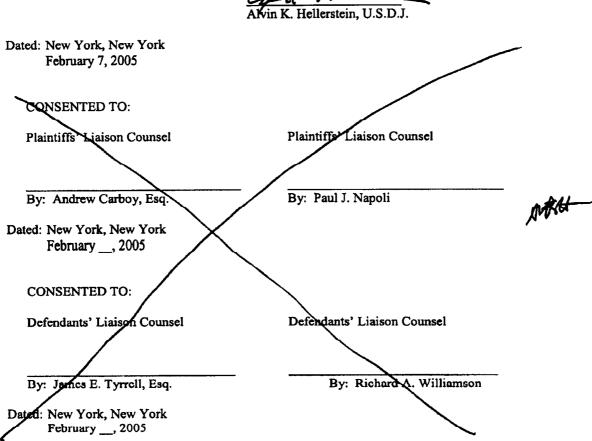
Within twenty (20) days of the entry of this CMO No. 3, Plaintiffs' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel shall provide to Defendants' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel a list identifying the agencies and/or departments of the City of New York from which Plaintiffs seek documents and information regarding the subject matters of the motions identified herein.

Within fifty (50) days of the entry of this CMO NO. 3, Plaintiffs' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel shall provide to Defendants' Liaison and Steering Committee Counsel a detailed chronological declaration that shall set forth the key arguments that Plaintiffs then anticipate may be asserted in opposition to Defendants' anticipated motions identified herein.

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The Court will hold a Case Management Conference on Monday, April 18, 2005, at 4:00 P.M. to regulate further discovery, the filing of motions and oppositions and replies, and to entertain further case management recommendations.

#### SO ORDERED



## **EXHIBIT B**

21 MC 102 In Re: World Trade Center Lower Manhattan Disaster Site Litigation

Summary of Information from Short Form "Check Off" Complaints"

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-	Acosta, Byron	07cv1552	S S	LVI Environmental Services, Inc.	Handler		Yes
7	Adriano, Luis	07cv4445	No O	ETS Contracting and PAL	Asbestos handler	1 Liberty Plaza; Post Office	Yes
က	Agudelo, Gladys 07cv4446		ON	Comprehensive Environmental		1 Federal Plaza; 100 Church Street; 70 Pine Street; 75 Park Place; High School of Economics and Finance	ON.
4	Ali Enrique	07cv1554	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Supervisor	1 Liberty Plaza	Yes
2	Allivar, Raul	T	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Handler	150 Broadway, 1 Liberty Plaza; Post Office (90 Church Street)	Yes
ဖ	Alvarez, Maria	05cv10135 No	No No	Kiss Construction and PAL	Handler	90 Trinity Place; High School of Economics & Finance; Post Office; Stuyvesant High School	Yes
7	Alvarracin, Jose	07cv1556	No No	Pinnacle Environment	Asbestos handler	Post Office	Yes
∞	Ascencio, Ivan	07cv1460	No No	ETS Contracting	Laborer- asbestos	High School of Economics & Finance	Yes
6	Atiencia, Marcelo	07cv1562	No	LVI Environmental Services, Inc.	Handler	Stuyvesant High School	Yes
5	Bailon, Peter	07cv5336	No.	Pinnacle Environmental Corp.	Supervisor	Post Office	Yes
7	Barahona, Jose	07cv5550	O	Pinnacle Environmental Corp. and Trade Winds Environmental Restoration	Handler	100 Church Street	Yes
12	Betancourt, Hector	07cv4453	No	ETS Contracting, Inc. and PAL Environmental Safety	Handler	1 Liberty Plaza	Yes
13		07cv1473	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Handler		Yes
4		06cv11968	06cv11968 Yes: EROC	None	Laborer		Yes

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			Named Sub-				other than from 1/8/02 to 7/1/02
15	Calero, Ivan	07cv1575	No.	PAL Environmental Safety	Shop		Yes
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16	Calle, Wilson	07cv1578	°N	Pinnacle Environment	Asbestos handler	Post Office	Yes
17	Campoverde,	07cv5280	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Hander	Post Office	Yes
18	Campozano,	07cv4459	No	Pinnacle Environment	Asbestos handler		Yes
19	Cardenas, Edison	07cv1580	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Handler	Millenium Hilton Hotel	Yes
20	Silvia	05cv1718	2	Branch	Handler		Yes
21			No	Trio Asbestos	Asbestos handler	Post Office	Yes
22	Cintron,	06cv5631	No	CES	Asbestos handler	160 Water Street; Stuyvesant High School Yes	Yes
23	Jorge E.	07cv5394	No	Galt John Corp.	Handler		Yes
24	Cortijo, Lidia	07cv317	<b>N</b>	LVI Environmental Services, Inc., PAL Environmental Safety and Pinnacle Environmental Corp.	None	101 Barclay Street; 4 Albany Street; Hudson View East	Yes
25	Criollo, Nancy	07cv4462	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Cleaner	1 Liberty Plaza	Yes
<b>5</b> 8			No.	Asbestos Lead and Hazardous Asbestos Materials Laborers	Asbestos handler	Post Office; Equitable Building	Yes
27	Drake, Jesse	07cv5353	No	Nastasi Eurotech	Carpenter		Yes
28		0	No	Pinnacle, Trade Winds, Trio	Asbestos	101 Barclay Street; 111 Wall Street; 140	Yes
	<b>A</b>			Asbestos	handler	Broadway; 70 Pine Street; Gillespi Building; Hudson View East; Parc Place; Stuyvesant High School	

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		-	Contractors				1/8/02 to 7/1/02
29	Duarte, Inerva	07cv1603	No	Safeway Construction, Inc. and None Safeway Environmental Corp.	None		Yes
30	Dutan, Elvia	07cv1606	O <sub>N</sub>	Pinnacle Environment	Office cleaner/ handler	Post Office	Yes
31	Encalada, Jorge	07cv1607	ON.	PAL Environmental Safety and Pinnacle Environmental Safety	Handler		Yes
32	Franco. Luis	07cv4466	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Handler		Not Provided
33	Frelas, Janina		O <sub>N</sub>	ETS Contracting, Inc. and Safeway Environmental Corp.	Asbestos handler and handler	233 Broadway	Yes
श्च	Gallardo, Norbeto	07cv5290	o <sub>N</sub>	Pinnacle Environmental Corp.	Handler		No No
35	Garcia, Viviana	07cv1617	No	Comprehensive Environmental	Asbestos handler	Jacob K. Javits Federal Building	Yes
36	Gaspar, Peter	05cv10739	ON.	ETS Contracting, PAL, Pinnacle	Supervisor and asbestos	Post Office	Yes
37	Gawin, Leonard	07cv1619	O <sub>N</sub>	PAL Environmental Safety, Safeway Environmental Corp., and Trade Winds Environmental Restoration	Asbestos handler	101 Barclay Street; 170 Broadway; 76 Varick Street; 95 Maiden Lane	Yes
38	Giamo, Samuel T.	06cv11676	S S	FDNY	Firefighter		Yes
39	Giraldo, Hitien E.	07cv5554	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Handler		Yes
40	Gualpa, Rosa	07cv4472	No	Pinnacle Environmental Corp.	Asbestos cleaning	170 Broadway	Yes

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14	Guzman,	07cv5556	No	Branch	Asbestos worker		Yes
42	o, Nidia	07cv4473	No	Pinnacle Environment	Handler asbestos		Yes
43	Hurtado, Julio	07cv5295	O	Kiss Construction, Inc., LBI- ABAS, Locat 78, PAL Environmental Safety, Pinnacle Environmental Corp.	Not Provided	63 Wall Street, 90 Chambers Street, P.S. 234 Independence School, West Street Building	Yes
44	Idrovo Manuel	07cv1628	No	Local 78	Cleaner	Post Office	Yes
45	ldrovo, Edgar	07cv1627	No	Pinnacle Environment	Asbestos cleaner		Yes
46	Inga, Jorge	07cv1629	ON O	LVI Environmental Services, Inc.	Handler	Post Office; West Street Building	Yes
47	Jabionski, Jozef 07cv1630	07cv1630	O <sub>N</sub>	PAL Environmental Safety and Trade Winds Environmenal Restoration	Asbestos handler	Post Office	Yes
48	Jaramillo, Jonas 06cv14746	06cv14746	ON.	Branch, PAL Environmental Asbestc Safety, Pinnacle Environmental handler Corp., Trade Winds Environmental Rest.	Asbestos handler	100 Church Street	Yes
49	Karus, Marian	07cv1635	ON.	LVI Environmental Services, Inc., PAL Environmental Safety, and Pinnacle Environmental Corp.	Asbestos handler and handler	P.S. 89	Yes
50	Kosowski, Edward	07cv5299	ON.	PAL Environmental Safety, and Asbestos Trade Winds Environmental handler Rest.	Asbestos handler	100 Church Street; 101 Barclay Street; 160 Water Street; 1 Liberty Plaza; Post Office; P.S. 234 Independence School	Yes
51	Lascano, Ana	05cv9333	NO N	PAL Environmental	Cleaner	150 Broadway; 1 Liberty Plaza; Post Office	Yes

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I	Alleges Work at DB Building other than from 1/8/02 to 7/1/02	Yes	Yes	o Z	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
9	Work Sites Other than "WTC Site" as Defined in CMO 3	High School of Economics & Finance; Hudson View East; Sytuvesant High School		90 Trinity Place; High School of Economics & Finance; Post Office; P.S. 234 Independence School			55 Water Street, Post Office	Post Office		One Liberty Plaza		100 Church Street; Post Office; Stuyvesant High School	Post Office		Hudson View East; 1 Liberty Plaza; Post Office; Stuyvesant High School
L	Job Title	Asbestos handler	Supervisor	Not Provided	Handler	Handler	Handler	To be supplied	Handler	Asbestos handler	Asbestos handler	Cleaner	Asbestos handler	Not Provided	Cleaner and cleaner/ asbestos handler
Ш	Work for Non-"Tully" Companies	PAL Environmental Safety, Pinnacle Environmental Corp.	CES	PAR Environmental Corp., and Pinnacle Environmental Corp.	Safeway Environmental Corp.	Pinnacle Environment	Pinnacle Environmenal Corp.	TBP	PAL Environmental Safety	Local 78	Pinnacle Environment Corp.	PAL Environmental Safety	Pinnacle Environment Corp.	LVI Environmental Services, Inc. and Trio Asbestos	Local 78, LVI Environmental Cleaner Services, Inc., PAL and Environmental Safety, Pinnacle cleaner/ asbesto: handler
c	Docket No. Alleges Work for Tully or Named Sub-	ON.	No	ON.	No.	No	No	No	No	No O	No	No	No	No No	O.
ر	Docket No.	07cv4480	06cv10045		07cv63	07cv4482		07cv4491	07cv5397	07cv1664	07cv1665	06cv13168	07cv5370	07cv1670	05cv10738
a	Plaintiff	Lasica, Andrzej	I enis Carlos	Leon, Ines	Leon, Cesar	Loia. Wilmo	Lucero, Fernando	Medina, Rosa	Melendez, Maria	Mendez, Juan	Merchan, Carlos	Mora, Eugenio	Morales, Tatiana	Moreno, Sandra	Naranjo, Luis
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Pinnacle Environment Cleaner 25 Broadway; 90 Trinity Place; High School of Economics and Finance; Hudson View East; P.S. 234 Independence School; Stuyvesant High School
PAL Environmental Safety Handler 233 Broadway
Volunteer
Asbestos cleaner
Nastasi Eurotech Carpenter 10 Liberty Street, American Stock Exchange, West Street Building
Site Safety, LLC Safety manager
Comprehensive Environmental Handler
Pinnacle Environmental Corp. Handler Post Office
Pinnacle Environmental Corp. Asbestos 100 Church Street; Millenium Hilton Hotel; Yes handler Post Office
LVI Environmental Services, Asbestos 1 Federal Plaza; 1 Wall Street; 100 Inc., PAL Environmental Andler Church Street; High School of Economics Safety, Pinnacle Environmental And Finance; Hudson View East Corp., Safeway
Pinnacle Environmental Corp. Handler Hudson View East
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PAL Environmental Safety Asbestos handler

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79	Santamaria, Emanuel	07cv1528	N <sub>O</sub>	PAL Environmental Safety	Handler		Yes
80	to, Galo	07cv1529	No.	PAL Environmental Safety	Handler	20 Broad Street; 55 Water Street; West Street Building	Yes
81	Sarmiento, Edwin	07cv4515	o Z	Kiss Construction, Inc.	Asbestos handler	160 Water Street 24 Broadway; 63 Wall Street; 90 Trinity Place; High School of Economics and Finance (100 Trinity Place); Hudson View East; 1 Liberty Plaza; Post Office; Stuyvesant High School; P.S. 234 Independence School	√es ∕
82	Serrano, Theresa	05cv8937	N <sub>O</sub>	PAL Environmental Safety	Handler		Yes
83	ia, Raul	07cv1533	No.	Pinnacle Enviromenal Corp.	Handler		Yes
2	Suarez, Felipe	07cv1707	No.	Pinnacle Enviromenal Corp.	Asbestos handler		Yes
82	Sumba, Samuel	07cv1710	ON.	Pinnacle Enviromenal Corp.	Handler	63 Wall Street; Hudson View East; Stuyvesant High School; The Equitable Building	Yes
86	Tamayo, Pedro	07cv1538	No	Pinnacle Enviromenal Corp.	Cleaner	101 Barclay Street	Yes
87	Teham, Nicholas 07cv5564		No	Regional Scaffolding	Carpenter		Yes
88	Tenezaca, Julia	07cv1714	<b>S</b>	Pinnacle Enviromenal Corp.	Handler		Yes
8	Teran, Cesareo	07cv5389	No.	Comprehensive Environmental	Handler		Yes
6	Thorpe, Jeanne	07cv1715	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Asbestos handler	Trinity Church	Yes

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91	Valencia, Carlos 07cv5324 A.		<u> </u>	Maxons Restoration, Inc.	Cleaner	100 Church Street; 100 Gateway Plaza; 101 Barclay Street; 200 Gateway Plaza; 400 Gateway Plaza	Yes
92	Vasquez, Rommel	07cv1543	No No	PAL Environmental Safety	Handler	Stuyvesant High School	Yes
93	Vazquez, Kattia	07cv1722	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Asbestos handler	Post Office	Yes
94	Vega, Severo	07cv4521	2	PAL Environmental Safety	Handler	1 Liberty Plaza	Yes
95	Villarroel, Segundo	07cv1546	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Handler	Stuyvesant High School	Yes
ထွ	Villarruel, Kleber 06cv13703 No	06cv13703	No	PAL Environmental Safety	Foreman	1 Liberty Plaza	Yes
97	Walsh, Kevin	06cv12608	Š	Nastasi Eurotech	Carpenter		Yes
86	Waniurski,	07cv4524	No	LVI Environmental Services,	Asbestos	30 Rockefeller Plaza	Yes
	Кореп			inc., FAL Environmental Safety, and Pinnacle Environmental Corp.			
66	Watson, Ancil	07cv5391	Yes: Tulley's [sic] Construction Company	None	Laborer		Yes
100	100 Wragg, Clarence 06cv8125	06cv8125	No	Trade Winds Environmental Restoration	Asbestos worker		Yes

# **EXHIBIT C**

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK **CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER** IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER DISASTER 21 MC 100 (AKH) SITE LITIGATION 05 Civ. 3090 (AKH) 04 Civ. 9003 (KMK) 04 Civ. 5338 (GBD) 04 Civ. 7217 (GBD) 05 Civ. 0631 (E.D.N.Y.) 04 Civ. 9507 (HB) 05 Civ. 1927 (AKH) 05 Civ. 1091 (AKH) 05 Civ. 1092 (AKH) 05 Civ. 1093 (AKH)

ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE:

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, May 9, 2005 at 4:00 P.M., and on July 13, 2005 at 4:00 P.M., I held status conferences in the above matters, and counsel for both plaintiff and defendants have submitted reports on these cases pursuant to my request at the July 13, 2005 conference, IT IS NOW, THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

#### MASTER DOCKET

- Cases brought by plaintiffs arising out of or relating to the September 11, 2001 attack on the World Trade Center were consolidated before this Court for pre-trial purposes pursuant to this Court's Order of November 1, 2002.
- 2. These cases were thereafter divided into three groups: Cases alleging wrongful death and personal injury based primarily on circumstances and conduct up to and including the attacks of September 11, 2001 were assigned the master docket number 21 MC 97; cases alleging property damage primarily based on circumstances and conduct up to and

including the attacks of September 11, 2001 were assigned the master docket number 21 MC 101 by order of March 14, 2005; cases brought by plaintiffs – such as recovery and clean-up personnel – alleging wrongful death or personal injury primarily based on circumstances and conduct in the period <u>after</u> the September 11, 2001 attacks were assigned the master docket number 21 MC 100 by order of February 11, 2003.

- 3. Cases brought by plaintiffs such as clean-up personnel alleging personal injury primarily based on circumstances and conduct in the period after the September 11, 2001 attacks, and based on conduct that occurred outside the area defined as the World Trade Center Site in Case Management Order 3 of the 21 MC 100 case now constitute a fourth group. A master docket for this fourth group is hereby established: "In re World Trade Center Lower Manhattan Disaster Site Litigation." 21 MC \_\_\_\_ (AKH).
- 4. These cases are coordinated before me because the claims for respiratory injury share several issues of fact and law with 21 MC 100 and the other World Trade Center cases, and because the defendants state that they anticipate the assertion of contribution, indemnification, and similar claims by the current defendants in the off-WTC site actions against the defendants in 21 MC 100. The cases will not be coordinated directly as part of 21 MC 100, however, because of plaintiff's desire to have issues of fact and law unique to these cases supervised on a separate basis. The cases listed above are hereby coordinated, and the approximately 300 cases the plaintiff's represent will be brought shall be coordinated as related to this action.
- The Clerk of the Court is hereby ordered to list the cases named on Exhibit A of this
  order as related to 21 MC \_\_\_\_ (AKH).
- 6. Counsel shall file originals of papers that relate to all of the cases under 21 MC \_\_\_\_ in

- accordance with the electronic filing procedures established for 21 MC 100 as defined in Case Management Order XX of March XX, 2005.
- 7. The Court designates Gregory Cannata, Esq. of The Law firm of Gregory J. Cannata, 233
  Broadwa, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10279-0003, to serve as liaison counsel for the plaintiffs in this case. The Court designates as defendants Co-Liaison Counsel James E.

  Tyrrell, Jr., Esq. of Latham & Watkins LLP, One Newark Center, 16th Floor, Newark, NJ 07102, and Richard A. Williamson, Esq. of Flemming, Zulack & Williamson, LLP, One Liberty Plaza, 35th Floor, New York, NY 10006 (hereinafter referred to jointly as "Defendants' Liaison Counsel"). The Court directs the parties to coordinate their actions through Liaison Counsel. Nothing herein shall restrict the substantive rights of any party, including the right to be represented by separate counsel or to take separate positions from other parties. The Court reserves the right to designate liaison counsel for either plaintiffs or defendants as a replacement for the designations by the parties if the need should arise.
- 8. Appointment of Liaison Counsel and Steering Committee Counsel to act as set forth below will facilitate communications among the Court and counsel, minimize duplication of effort, foster the coordination of joint positions, and provide for the efficient progress and control of this litigation. Liaison Counsel are vested by the Court with the following responsibilities and duties:
  - a. prepare and maintain an official service list of plaintiffs' and defendants' counsel
    in the cases subject to this Order including the persons or companies they
    represent, upon whom papers shall be served in this litigation;
  - b. receive orders, notices, correspondence and telephone calls from the Court and

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the Clerk of the Court on matters of general applicability on behalf of all plaintiffs or defendants, as the case may be, and to notify such other plaintiffs' or defendants' counsel of communications received from the Court; and

- c. perform such other administrative tasks as may be necessitated by this or future CMOs, by the agreement of the parties, or by order of the Court;
- d. maintain and distribute to co-counsel and to the opposing Liaison Counsel an upto-date service list;
- e. coordinate with opposing Liaison Counsel and with the Court on scheduling issues;
- f. be responsible for the service and filing of joint pleadings and communications with the Court to the extent practicable;
- g. receive and, as appropriate, distribute to co-counsel orders from the Court and documents from opposing parties and counsel;

Except as may be expressly otherwise provided in this or future CMOs, all pleadings, motions and other papers served in these cases shall be served on plaintiffs' and defendants' counsel for all of the parties in the case(s) to which such papers apply. Service on a Liaison Counsel shall not suffice as service on any other party.

9. The parties shall appear for a status conference on September 22, 2005 at 3:00 P.M. in Courtroom 14D, 500 Pearl St., New York, New York 10007.

SO ORDERED.

Dated:

New York, New York August 9, 2005

United States District Judge

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Arsenault v. Tully Construction Co. Inc., et al.	04 CV 5338 (SDNY, Judge Daniels)
Thomas v. The City of New York	04 CV 7217 (SDNY, Judge Daniels)
Thompson v. The City of New York	05 CV 0631 (EDNY, Judge Glasser)
Diversified Carting, Inc. v. The City of New York, et al.	05 CV 9507 (SDNY, Judge Baer)
Markut v. Sakele Brothers L.L.C., et al.	05 CV 1927 (AKH)
Foremska v. The Bank of New York Company, et al.	05 CV 3090 (AKH)
Sanchez v. Logany LLC, et al.	05 CV 1091 (AKH)
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## **EXHIBIT D**

#### Case Management Order No. 1, 21 MC 103

In the aftermath of the attacks on the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, many workers came to World Trade Center site and nearby locations to assist with debris removal and other tasks. Some of these workers suffered respiratory and other injuries, and have filed lawsuits. Those who worked at the World Trade Center site filed suit against the City of New York and other contractors; their cases are consolidated as master docket 21 MC 100. See Case Management Order No. 2, 21 MC 100 (Feb. 7, 2005). Those who worked at sites other than the World Trade Center site filed suit against the building owners and others; their cases are consolidated as master docket 21 MC 102. See Case Management Order, 21 MC 100 (Aug. 9, 2005).

The Court has learned that a substantial number of plaintiffs—190 at last count—performed work at the World Trade Center site and at other sites. These plaintiffs have become known as "straddler" plaintiffs because their allegations span master dockets 21 MC 100 and 21 MC 102. Their status as "straddlers" raised issues for plaintiffs' liaison counsel, for the Clerk's

office, and for me. Plaintiffs' liaison counsel lacked a check-off complaint that adequately reflected all the allegations needed to be made by these "straddler" plaintiffs, and commenced to file multiple complaints for the same individual. The Clerk's office did not docket multiple complaints for a single plaintiff, and the splitting of a cause of action into two parts, where the injury of which plaintiffs complain is indivisible as among the various "on-site" and "off-site" defendants named in 21 MC 100 and 21 MC 102, would confuse the proceedings and create a danger of duplicate recoveries.

Following the status conference of 21 MC 102 cases on March 20, 2007, I asked the parties to propose an order that would organize the filing of these "straddler" complaints. On March 26, 2007, the parties submitted a stipulated order, proposing to split the cause of action into two parts, one that would proceed, by separate complaint, within the 21 MC 100 master docket, and one that would proceed, by another complaint, within the 21 MC 102 master docket. Having considered this proposal with the Clerk, and in light of my concerns previously expressed, I decline to order the stipulation. Instead, I order as follows:

- 1. The Clerk shall maintain a separate master docket and case file under the heading <u>In re</u> Combined World Trade Center and Lower Manhattan Disaster Site Litigation (straddler plaintiffs), 21 MC 103 (AKH). Orders, pleadings, motions, and other documents bearing the caption of this Order shall, when docketed and filed in the Master File, be deemed docketed and filed in each individual case subject to this Order to the extent applicable, and ordinarily will not be docketed separately or physically filed in such individual case.
- 2. Plaintiffs' liaison counsel will create a "straddler" check-off complaint to comprehend all their claims for relief.

- 3. The "straddler" check-off complaints shall incorporate the master complaints in 21 MC 100 and 21 MC 102, and provide each plaintiff with check-boxes to identify his claims against particular defendants of those named therein. The "straddler" check-off complaint shall not include allegations other than those made in the 21 MC 100 and 21 MC 102 master complaints and check-off complaints.
- 4. Plaintiff shall file the "straddler" check-off complaint in 21 MC 103 as an amended complaint, and dismiss all other complaints, by June 1, 2007.
- 5. Those aspects of the check-off complaint that allege injuries caused by the City of New York and other defendants, arising from, or relating to, activities at the World Trade Center sites (as defined in Case Management Order No. 3, 21 MC 100), shall be coordinated with cases collected in 21 MC 100.
- 6. Those aspects of the check-off complaint that allege injuries arising from, or relating to, activities at sites other than the World Trade Center sites (as defined in Case Management Order No. 3, 21 MC 100), shall be coordinated with cases collected in 21 MC 102.
- 7. A document that relates to all "straddler" cases shall bear a caption as follows:

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21 MC 103 (AKH) IN RE COMBINED WORLD TRADE CENTER AND LOWER MANHATTAN DISASTER SITE (all cases) LITIGATION (straddler plaintiffs)

The Court recognizes that a document that relates to all cases in the 21 MC 100 or 21 MC 102 dockets will, by definition, also relate to the 21 MC 103 docket. Such documents shall bear dual captions, as at the top of this Order.

8. A document that relates to one or more specific cases, but not to all cases, shall bear a caption as follows:

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DEFENDANTS,	Defendants.	: : :	

- 9. Plaintiffs' claims arising from, or relating to, activities at the World Trade Center sites (as defined in Case Management Order No. 3, 21 MC 100) shall be stayed until such time as the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit rules on Defendants' appeal in 21 MC 100.
- 10. Plaintiffs' claims arising from, or relating to, activities at sites other than the World Trade Center sites (as defined in Case Management Order No. 3, 21 MC 100) shall proceed in coordination with all other claims classified as related to 21 MC 102.
- 11. The law firm of Worby, Groner, Napoli, & Bern shall provide to the Clerk a list of cases by April 20, 2007, including the index number, date filed, and plaintiff's name, that should be classified as related to the 21 MC 103 docket.
- 12. The Clerk shall remove each case on the list provided by Worby, Groner, Napoli, & Bern from the 21 MC 100 and 21 MC 102 master dockets, and classify the case as related to the 21 MC 103 master docket.

13. Plaintiffs and Defendants shall submit a proposed order or orders appointing liaison counsel to represent plaintiffs and defendants with cases classified as related to the 21 MC 103 master docket, by April 20, 2007. If multiple proposals are received, the Court shall appoint liaison counsel from among the proposals.

SO ORDERED.

Date:

March 28, 2007

New York, New York

ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN United States District Judge

## **EXHIBIT E**

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK **CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER NO. 3** IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER LOWER MANHATTAN DISASTER

21 MC 102 (AKH)

ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN, U.S.D.J.:

SITE LITIGATION

To promote efficiency in this consolidated litigation of over 600 cases, the parties developed master complaints and accompanying check-off complaints. On March 20, 2007, I held a status conference to address certain issues raised by the parties in relation to these complaints. This Order re-states and clarifies the rulings I made at the status conference.

- 1. By consent of the parties, a plaintiff shall plead causes of action under New York Labor Law §§ 200 and 241(6) separately.
- 2. The check-off complaint shall not include a cause of action under New York Labor Law §§ 205-a and 205-e. Plaintiffs' liaison counsel represented that no plaintiff exists at this time that could assert such causes of action; therefore, the cause of action is unnecessary.
- 3. A plaintiff may not attach riders to the check-off complaint asserting additional causes of action or other allegations not covered by the master complaint. A plaintiff whose circumstances cannot be described by the master complaint and check-off complaint should seek consent to file an amended master complaint and check-off complaint from Defendants' liaison counsel and, if consent is not obtained, such plaintiff should file a motion for leave to amend the complaints.
- 4. A plaintiff should provide, to the extent he is able, the specific location worked, including the floor or floors of specific buildings, and the other items provided in the check-off complaints discussed at the status conference on March 20, 2007.

- 5. Plaintiffs shall file and serve their master and check-off complaints by June 1, 2007.
- 6. The parties shall appear, through liaison counsel, for a status conference on June 15, 2007 at lpm.

SO ORDERED.

Dated:

March 21, 2007

New York, New York

ALVIN K. HELLERSTEIN United States District Judge

# **EXHIBIT F**

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IN RE: WORLD TRADE CENTER

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           worked out, Napoli Bern firm needs to perform a check-off complaint which is commensurate with the one that was finalized by liaison counsel for plaintiffs in the 102 docket.

MR. CANNATA: Your Honor, part of the difficulty that we have is is that the Court's order required the complaints to be filed before they were finalized. And that was part of the difficulty
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            difficulty.
           However, I understand that there are no firemen and policemen plaintiffs in this docket. And if you recall the last conference, we addressed this issue and you ordered that
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            the 205(e) claims should be taken out. And that's what we did.
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            And as far as I know, there aren't any --
THE COURT: So if they are still in, I guess they'll
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            be fixed up.
            MR. CANNATA: It's not a problem, Judge. There are no plaintiffs that are claiming that basis for a suit.

THE COURT: Mr. Hopkins. Again, I don't have a basis to resolve that. There's a substantive point here. The point is that a fireman and a policeman are not allowed to sue the
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            City, I guess, for damages where they can recover the analog to workmen's compensation. That's the point, isn't it?
                              MR. CANNATA: No, Judge, that's incorrect. THE COURT: Incorrect.
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                               MR. CANNATA: You're incorrect by that. A fireman and
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            policeman can sue the City, but they have to allege a specific violation of law, a rule. But as far as I know, there are no plaintiffs — they do have some. I'm being told they do have a
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                              So, Judge, they have to straighten that out. THE COURT: What's the situation?
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            MR. DUBANEVICH: Your Honor, William J. Dubanevich. We do have firefighters and police officers who are in the 102
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            classification. And that is why we had to allege violations of
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            the General Municipal Law.
            THE COURT: So what do you want me to do, Mr. Hopkins?

MR. HOPKINS: Well, after all the Sturm und Drang that
we've had to get to this point to try to finalize pleadings, we
now have master complaint filed which does not include
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            allegations regarding General Municipal Law.

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            now, and really, I think, for the first time we're hearing from the Napoli Worby Groner firm that they do have allegations to
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            make under those provisions, and they are not in the master complaint. So their check-off complaint refers back to the
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            THE COURT: So the first assertion of the claim is the check-off complaint, and presumably you're going to move to dismiss them because of the issue of limitations.
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                                MR. HOPKINS: Undoubtedly. And I'm sure other
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             substantive reasons, as well.
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                                THE COURT: Like what? Just to give me a heads-up.
             MR. HOPKINS: I've not looked at the check-off complaints, so I can't speak to whatever the clients are. But as to whether that is a proper vehicle for whoever these people -- these plaintiffs may be; whether they can rely upon
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           this provision in the General Municipal Law to make such a
           claim or not. It goes beyond any type of statute-type issue.

THE COURT: I'm not familiar with the law. I don't know what it is. But I'll take the statement from Mr. Cannata as expressing the law that if the City has violated a law that
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           firemen and policemen can sue. You know, all this makes my
          head kind of swim. And I guess it begs the definition of what's involved in the 102 and later the 103 cases.

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           Trade Center, the way I looked at this is that 100 were the
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          cases that were focused mainly against the City, because the Department of Design and Construction took the lead in the cleanup of the World Trade Center.
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                            102 were cases where there were private or public
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           homeowners independent of the Department of Design and Correction, to the Department of Design and Construction.

And 103 is where plaintiffs did some work under the jurisdiction of the DDC and other work under the jurisdiction
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           of private and public property owners. That's how I looked at
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                   I don't know if that's realistic or not.
           MR. CANNATA: Your Honor, that's our position, as the Court just expressed. However, when you issued the order for
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           103, we believe you made an error, and you went to the earlier definition, the 100 definition, of what the World Trade Center
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           site was.
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                            THE COURT: I did?
                            MR. CANNATA: You inadvertently did that. And you did
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           that --
           THE COURT: It was the only definition that was at hand. Let me just tell you this: I thought, and let me expose my thinking so that if it's wrong, I want to know it's wrong.

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           operations with regard to all the property identified in that
           first order. And I think I took that definition from the Victims Compensation Fund. I don't remember exactly where I took it from, but I think I took it from there. And that may be the cause of the problem, I don't know. And I don't know
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           what is feasible here.
           MR. CANNATA: Well, the practical effect of it is, Judge, that by using the definition from 100 that you used that was made before 102 was created, you've essentially put almost all of the plaintiffs from 102 back into the 100 case and thus,
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           the 103 case.
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                             THE COURT: I didn't intend that.
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MR. CANNATA: I know you didn't intend it, Judge. But I'm just telling you, for example, with our cases, I have our 45 or so plaintiffs, we would end up with about 35 of them into 103, and only a handful, eight or nine or ten, in 102. And I don't think that's what the Court intended.

THE COURT: No, it's not what I intended. I also raised the issue of the lead counsel issues with regard to 102 and 103. Because it was my conception that the 102 case had involved lawsuits against others in the City through DDC. And therefore, I thought it not particularly appropriate that the same plaintiffs' lawyers are the same defendants' lawyers be

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           functioning on 102.
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                             Mr. Tyrrell.
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           MR. TYRRELL: Your Honor, I'd like to jump an issue back, as we've moved ahead to the issue of whether there should be broader representation at the level of the liaison, not lead, but like to record to the like to speak to that later,
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           but I'd like to respond to Mr. Cannata's point.

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           that your Honor created as to what was the geographic area, the 16 acres covered by that docket. But it is not true when you created 102, you'll remember we objected to it at that time, we said, Don't bother breaking them up; keep them altogether.

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           We're over that. But when you created 102, you took the reciprocal of that definition; you said other things --
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                             THE COURT: That's right.
MR. TYRRELL: -- in that 16 acres.
           MR. TYRRELL: -- in that 16 acres.
THE COURT: That's right.
MR. TYRRELL: Now, that made great sense. Because whether the claim occurred in lower Manhattan or occurred, as
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           Mr. Cannata says, here in this courthouse, and frankly, I think the only one in this courthouse who possibly got sick is your Honor for working too hard on the case. But that's a different
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            kind of claim.
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                              (Laughter)
                             MR. TYRRELL: You need a remedy. I think it's more
            than over-the-counter, your Honor. If we go back now and change, so I'm now focused exactly on that issue --
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                              THE COURT: My wife said retire. I said the case will
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            follow me.
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                              (Laughter)
            MR. TYRRELL: If we go there now, okay, we're going to ditch all of the definitions and organizational stuff that we had. But then when you look at what Mr. Cannata proposes in his letter, which is something that is supposed to be better, and of course, you said nobody's substantive rights is going to he affected by this. This is just to help set it constitutes
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            His definition will turn on whether the City of New York is a defendant in each case. That makes no sense
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            whatsoever.
            So in his definition, someone who worked on the pile and sued only Tully, it would no longer be a 100 case, because the City of New York would have to be in it, according to his
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                              THE COURT: If someone worked on the pile and worked
            for Tully --
                              MR. TYRRELL: And didn't sue New York, too, it
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            wouldn't any longer be a 100 case.
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                              THE COURT: Well, who would be sue?
                              MR. TYRRELL: I don't know. It's amiss.
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We don't need to change this.
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                              MR. CANNATA: Judge, excuse me. I didn't say that in
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             my letter. I said outside on the mound.
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                    THE COURT: Stop. Stop. What's the justification of
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        having a different collection of cases in 102 from what I have in 100? I'll answer it. It's because it's a different
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                    MR. TYRRELL: And your Honor, at this point we're not
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        suggesting we change that.
                    THE COURT: The definition.
                    MR. TYRRELL: It is Mr. Cannata who is suggesting -- THE COURT: My definition.
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        MR. TYRRELL: -- that your definition be changed. So now if someone worked, and let's take the Deutsche Bank
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        building as an example. It was under the control, we believe, of the DBS for the cleanup. It was completely -- it wasn't not
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        banned, it was destroyed.
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                    THE COURT: DBS?
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                    MR. TYRRELL: I'm sorry, Department of Design and
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        Construction.
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                    THE COURT: I don't think sanitation was involved.
        MR. TYRRELL: Right. Now, that building was never reoccupied, okay. So as to that building, if you now took his
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        definition and transferred that out because it was originally a private building, we would be creating yet more confusion.
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                    THE COURT: I think DDC was involved with Deutsche
        Bank.
                    MR. TYRRELL: That's why it should stay in 100. THE COURT: That's why Verizon is in 100 also. MR. TYRRELL: And you've already ruled on those
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        applications as to Verizon, and I know Verizon's counsel wants
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        to speak to that. But if you followed Mr. Cannata's suggestion SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C. (212) 805-0300
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        now, all of the Verizon cases and the Verizon building would move to the 102 docket.
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                    THE COURT: I've taken the position throughout that
        substantive rights should not be affected by how I categorize
        the case. Because I never really felt confident in my definitions. And I didn't want substantive rights to be
        affected by it.
        It was my impression that Deutsche Bank, which is across the street from is it One or Two World Trade Center, was treated like it was part of the World Trade Center in terms of
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        World Financial Center. The World Financial Center is in the
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                     MR. TYRRELL: One of the reasons is debris fell into
        those buildings, structural debris that was the same type
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              into the Deutsche Bank building.
              THE COURT: You know, I don't really care, except to the extent that the category is driving a different result from SOUTHERN DISTRICT REPORTERS, P.C.
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              that which we normally obtain. And I need to be alerted to
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                                    why I challenge your leadership, Mr. Tyrrell, it's not don't admire your leadership. And I will tell you
             why I challenge your leadership, Mr. Tyrrell, it's not because I don't admire your leadership. And I will tell you very candidly, although we've had our differences in these cases, one way that I've been able to administer the cases is because of the hard work that you and Mr. Hopkins and your other colleagues have put into this case. I'm indebted to you. And I have no doubt but that 102 and 103 will benefit from your leadership as well
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              But what I'm bothered by is that as I look at these cases, DDC was not involved. And it should not be taken to task for providing masks or not providing masks, or giving
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              education or not giving education. If that's the case, why are you involved? Why do you care, except as a friend of the Court. I'm glad to have your friendship, but there's a
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               conflict issue.
              MR. TYRRELL: I'll tell you why I care, and then I'll tell you why you shouldn't worry about it. Okay?

THE COURT: Okay.
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                                     MR. TYRRELL: First, I care because according to my
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              colleagues over here, the City of New York in the 102 docket is currently in 65 to 95 actions. I am their counsel.

THE COURT: As owner?

MR. TYRRELL: We don't have the specific complaints
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              yet, but we assume so, yes. As either a tenant or an owner, yes, in 65 to 95 of those actions. And is in a whole bunch of actions that will be in that status in the 103 docket, as well.
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                                     THE COURT: By all means you have to be in the case,
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                                     MR. TYRRELL: We completely agree with that, let me
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               tell you the --
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                                     THE COURT: No one is stepping up.
              MR. TYRRELL: Well, that's the problem. But let me tell you why you don't have to be concerned about the thing you put in your order, which is the issue of conflict. Why? Because when you serve as liaison counsel, the general law is it isn't a conflict; your duty of loyalty still runs to your client. You have a duty to the Court and everybody else to
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               serve as liaison --
                                      THE COURT: I accept that, Mr. Tyrrell, as long as
              there are others in the group to protect different interests.

MR. TYRRELL: Couldn't agree with you more. But one
last point, because I went and looked it up. You, very
smartly, in the order you entered when you created liaison
counsel, specifically said in CMO No. 2 way back when that
there would be no conflicts by serving in that position.

So only the issue you have now addressed is the right
issue, which is would some other people please step up so that
there is a broad enough representation.

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# EXHIBIT G



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#### Via Electronic Mail

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Re: Kirk Arsenault, et al. v. Tully Construction Co., Inc., Tully Industries Inc., and Deutsche Bank, Docket No. 04-cv-5338 (AKH)

#### Dear Judge Hellerstein:

Counsel for the parties in the above-captioned action hereby submit this joint letter to request the Court's determination of the defendants' request to transfer this action from the 21 MC 102 docket to the 21 MC 100 docket.

#### Defendants' Position:

Counsel for Tully Construction Co. Inc. and Tully Industries, Inc. ("Tully") respectfully requests the transfer of the above-captioned action (the "Arsenault action") from the 21 MC 102 docket to the 21 MC 100 docket. Co-defendant Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas ("Deutsche Bank") does not object to Tully's request under the circumstances presented here.

Plaintiffs' counsel Robin Wertheimer, Esq. represents three plaintiffs in actions allegedly arising out of those plaintiffs' work allegedly related to the rescue, recovery and debris removal efforts following the collapse of the World Trade Center ("WTC") on September 11, 2001. Those plaintiffs are Kirk Arsenault, Steven Zablocki and Richard Racioppi. The latest version of the Arsenault complaint (filed October 13, 2004) (currently

pending in the 21 MC 102 docket) encompassed claims brought by two plaintiffs: Kirk Arsenault and Steven Zablocki. Mr. Zablocki's claims apparently were subsequently severed from the Arsenault action on December 26, 2006, when a separate individual complaint was filed in Mr. Zablocki's name under Civil Action No. 06-cv-15494 (the "Zablocki action"). The Zablocki action thereafter was docketed in 21 MC 100. Despite the apparent severance of Mr. Zablocki's claims from the Arsenault action, however, plaintiffs' counsel has not filed any amended pleading in the Arsenault action to reflect such severance. Furthermore, plaintiffs' counsel has failed to file a check-off complaint in the Arsenault action (notwithstanding the Court's prior order that check-off complaints for all actions in 21 MC 102 were to be filed by June 14, 2007).

Plaintiffs' counsel Ms. Wertheimer previously wrote the Court to request the transfer of the Zablocki action from the 21 MC 100 docket to the 21 MC 102 docket. Defendants' counsel were never copied on plaintiffs' counsel's communication to the Court. Responding to plaintiffs' counsel's request, the Court ruled that the Zablocki action should "remain classified as related to 21 MC 100, and remain subject to the Second Circuit's stay." (April 13, 2007 Order Denying Motion to Transfer Dockets, Docket No. 06-cv-15494, 21 MC 100 (AKH)) (the "Zablocki Order"). Specifically, the Court indicated that plaintiff Zablocki's request to transfer his case from 21 MC 100 to 21 MC 102 was denied on the grounds that his complaint alleged that he worked at the Deutsche Bank building at 130 Liberty Street which is "considered part of the World Trade Center site, as defined in Case Management Order No. 3, 21 MC 100 (Feb. 7, 2005)." The Court also denied plaintiff Zablocki's transfer request

The action of plaintiff Richard Racioppi, captioned Richard Racioppi v. Tully Construction Co., Inc., Tully Industries Inc., and Deutsche Bank, Index No. 112407/04 (latest complaint dated October 13, 2004), is not the subject of this joint letter as plaintiffs' counsel has indicated that the Racioppi action shortly will be voluntarily dismissed or withdrawn. If that understanding is incorrect in any way, then Tully respectfully requests, without objection from Deutsche Bank, that the Racioppi action also be transferred from the 21 MC 102 docket to the 21 MC 100 docket for the reasons set forth herein. Although the Racioppi action (like the Arsenault action) currently is docketed in 21 MC 102, no check-off complaint has been filed in the Racioppi action.

Deutsche Bank does not concede that the definition of the World Trade Center site in CMO 3 is necessarily dispositive of Tully's request. In Deutsche Bank's view, it is the nature of a given plaintiff's work, not just the location, that should dictate whether the case is designated to 21 MC 100 or 21 MC 102. However, the parties need not debate that issue in the present application because the type of work performed by Arsenault, Zablocki, and Racioppi, on behalf of a City contractor, militates in favor of their designation to 21 MC 100.

because defendant Tully is one of the contractors of the City of New York involved in the 21 MC 100 docket and is one of the contractors involved in the interlocutory appeal to the Second Circuit which resulted in a stay of all 21 MC 100 proceedings. See Zablocki Order.

Just like the Zablocki action, the Arsenault action belongs in the 21 MC 100 docket and should be transferred there and stayed. The allegations of plaintiff Arsenault are identical to those of plaintiff Zablocki. Compare Kirk Arsenault et. al. v. Tully Construction Co., Tully Industries Inc., and Deutsche Bank, Index No. 04 CV 5338 at ¶ 11, 14 ("Arsenault Complaint") with Steve Zablocki v. Tully Construction Co., Inc., Tully Industries Inc., and Deutsche Bank, Index No. 06-CV-15494 at ¶ 11, 14 ("Zablocki Complaint").3 Plaintiffs' counsel has indicated that plaintiffs Arsenault and Zablocki worked side-by-side in the Deutsche Bank building. Both plaintiffs have brought suit against Tully and Deutsche Bank for the WTC-related work in which they allegedly were involved. Compare Arsenault Complaint at ¶ 4, 6, 40 with Zablocki Complaint at ¶ 4, 6, 45. And finally, both plaintiffs<sup>6</sup> Arsenault and Racioppi allege that they were employed by Manfort Brothers Inc., a subcontractor of Tully, and worked doing debris removal and cleanup work in the Deutsche Bank building. Compare Arsenault Complaint at ¶ 11 with Zablocki Complaint at ¶ 11. Manfort Brothers, Inc. conducted this work as a subcontractor to Tully who was working as one of the City of New York's contractors in the rescue, recovery and debris removal effort.

Given the identical nature of the Arsenault and Zablocki claims and for the reasons already articulated by the Court in the Zablocki Order, Tully respectfully requests that the Arsenault action be transferred from the 21 MC 102 docket to the 21 MC 100 docket. Should the Court require that a formal motion be filed seeking this result, Tully respectfully requests the opportunity to promptly file such motion upon request of the Court. Although Tully is protected by a current stay from the Second Circuit, we respectfully request that the time to respond to the Master Complaint be extended with respect to Defendants during the pendency

And the allegations of plaintiff Racioppi are the same. See, e.g., Racioppi Complaint at ¶¶ 13, 16.

With plaintiff Racioppi. See id. at ¶ 16.

<sup>5</sup> And Racioppi. See id. at ¶ 7.

<sup>6</sup> And Racioppi. See id. at ¶ 13.

of this letter request to avoid prejudice should the Court disagree with respect to the relief requested herein.

#### Plaintiffs' Position:

Plaintiff Kirk Arsenault objects to the proposed transfer of his case from its present docket. The defendants' proposal is highly prejudicial and, under its own reasoning, entirely unfounded.

Plaintiffs Arsenault and Zablocki, working side by side, were employed by Manfort Brothers, a sub contractor of Tully, to dismantle the Deutsche Bank building at 130 Liberty Street in the aftermath of September 11. These men were employed in the fairly unique job of "burners" or, burning the steel of the building in such a way as to control its demolition. In the course of this employment, they were exposed to molds and other toxins which have caused them serious injuries. Their employ commenced on or about October 15, 2001.

In 2004, Arsenault and Zablocki brought one complaint under, inter alia, the labor law. It was filed in the Southern District on diversity grounds because these men reside in Massachusetts. As the docket illustrates, it was moved from Judge Kram, to Judge Cedarbaum to Judge Castel, then a pretrial conference was held before Judge Casey before it went to Judge Daniels, and it finally landed, despite plaintiffs' objections, with the World Trade Center cases. However, were it to be designated a World Trade Center case, it was more properly designated as an off-site case, in 21 MC 102.

The reasoning given by the defendants in this letter do not justify a reassignment of this case to the stayed docket. These plaintiffs' type of work does not in any way "militate on favor of their designation to the 21 MC 100 docket". The type of work that they did was not in any way "related to debris removal and clean up work". These quotes are from the defendants' portion of this letter in support of its reasoning. Should the type of work they did be a motivating factor in the reclassification, then defendants' argument must fail because, as mentioned above, their work was to dismantle a building more than a month after the disaster. (As we all know, that job was not completed; the building still stands.)

Plaintiff Zablocki was severed from the joint initial complaint pursuant to the Court's Order that all plaintiffs file separate complaints. Prior to his new complaint being filed, Zablocki had been docketed with Arsenault in 21 MC 102. In severing his complaint from Arsenault's, Zablocki ended up in the 21 MC 100 docket. At a 21 MC 102 conference before Judge Hellerstein, the undersigned requested the Court's guidance as to how to reunite these two plaintiffs in the 21 MC 102 docket. The instruction was to write to Judge Hellerstein and

request that he direct the clerk of court to move Zablocki into the 21 MC 102 docket. Two such requests on behalf of Zablocki were denied.

Plaintiff Arsenault did file a check off complaint in the 21 MC 102 docket in a timely manner. Arsenault has been in the off site docket since its inception. It only makes sense that a worker who worked after October 15, 2001 in a job that entailed strictly demolition be in the 21 MC 102 docket. Defendants have waited until now to try to move this case to the stayed docket because of the error that was promulgated with the Zablocki case after his complaint was separately filed. Defendants have had years to request this transfer, but never did because there was no substance to this request prior to the severance and reassignment of the Zablocki matter.

Given the fact that there is a possibility of the stayed 21 MC 100 cases being dismissed by the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, the prejudice to this plaintiff is immeasurable. As the defendants' portion of this letter suggests, the designations of these dockets are not immutable. In this letter, Tully does not agree with Deutsche Bank as to the definition of the World Trade Center site. But they both agree that the nature of the work has some weight. These defendants then proceed to mischaracterize the nature of the work performed by these plaintiffs as clean up and debris removal. Should this be a deciding factor then it clearly does not support moving this plaintiff into a docket with such workers and their request must be denied. Furthermore, it seems highly prejudicial to move a plaintiff into a stayed docket at such a late date when the case has not been previously classified as such nor has this plaintiff been given the opportunity to make timely objections on his own behalf (with all respect to, and admiration for, the papers filed on behalf of the plaintiffs in the 21 MC 100 docket).

The request of the defendants to move Kirk Arsenault's case from its present place in the 21 MC 102 docket into the 21 MC 100 docket should be in all respects denied and as the request is based mostly on the reassignment of the Zablocki action, the Court is asked to reconsider its placement of the Zablocki action.

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## EXHIBIT H

21 MC 102

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